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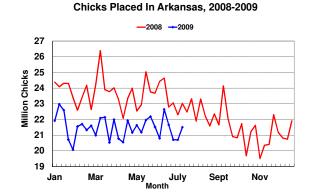
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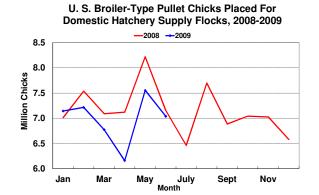
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 7 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.5 million during the week ending July 18, 2009. Placements were down 7 percent from the comparable week in 2008 but up 4 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending July 18, 2009, down 10 percent from the same period last year but up 4 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.04 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2009, down 2 percent from June 2008.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, June 20, 2009 - July 18, 2009

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending					
		Thousand					Thousand				
Alabama	29,215	29,309 *	30,088	29,098 *	29,120	20,780	21,468	21,570	21,305 *	20,563	
Arkansas	23,384	23,020	22,811	22,903 *	23,708	22,642	21,645	20,699	20,694 *	21,499	
Delaware	3,470	3,484	3,756	3,455	3,637	4,381	4,461	4,218 *	4,509 *	4,992	
Florida	1,081	1,025	990	990	991	774	773	774	777	737	
Georgia	32,085	31,811	31,582	31,567 *	31,726	27,645	27,100	26,984	26,506 *	26,645	
Kentucky	7,609 *	7,973 *	7,687	7,513 *	7,728	6,511	5,948	6,170	6,694 *	6,604	
Louisiana	3,243	3,409	3,349	3,409	3,409	2,651	2,715	3,009	2,851	2,959	
Maryland	8,792	9,053	8,355	8,878 *	8,642	6,678	5,949	6,111 *	6,581 *	6,151	
Mississippi	18,347	18,108	18,182	17,760	18,285	16,589	16,475	16,315	16,107 *	16,107	
N. Carolina	18,387	18,673 *	18,525	18,515	18,892	15,420	15,426	14,658	15,001	15,481	
Oklahoma	6,939	6,843 *	6,337	6,659	7,081	4,114	4,793	5,067	4,430	4,212	
Pennsylvania	3,745	3,858	3,729	3,985 *	4,112	2,760	2,926	3,066	2,956 *	3,083	
S. Carolina	5,256	5,328	5,705	5,623	5,707	4,561	4,496	4,745	4,586	4,645	
Texas	15,904	15,519	15,138	15,704	15,541	13,728	13,777	13,703	13,684	13,332	
Virginia	6,222	6,256	6,194	6,166	6,211	4,812	5,651	5,243	4,596	4,721	
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,969 *	18,413 *	18,732 *	18,451 *	18,885	17,325 *	17,850 *	17,805 *	17,791 *	16,083	
19 State Total	203,648 *	202,082 *	201,160 *	200,676 *	203,675	171,371 *	171,453 *	170,137 *	169,068 *	167,814	
Prev. Year Total	213,178	210,187	207,613	211,457	211,369	179,576	179,182	175,576	175,314	172,780	
% of Prev. Year	96	96	97	95	96	95	96	97	96	97	

^{*} Revised in current w eek.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 18, 2009. This was down 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 18, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through July 18, 2009 were 4.88 billion, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.